

SENATOR ELKINS  
PASSES AWAYWest Virginian Dies Suddenly  
in Washington.

## BLOOD POISONING THE CAUSE

Deceased Was Conscious Until Within  
Half an Hour of His Death—Had  
Charge of the Hepburn Railroad  
Rate Regulation Bill in the Senate  
in 1907.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia died here. At his bedside were his wife, his daughter Katherine and four sons, David, Richard, Stephen and Blaine, and the physicians. Death was due to septicaemia, or blood poisoning. He was conscious until within a half hour of death.

In the early evening there were persistent rumors in Washington that the senator's condition had become grave and fears were expressed that he might not live through the night. The Elkins family, however, were hopeful to the last and to the numerous inquiries which poured into the Elkins home encouraging responses were given.

Senator Elkins became ill in the early summer at his home at Elkins, W. Va. He was kept in strict confinement there and only the members of his immediate family were allowed to see him. On Nov. 3, when he was removed to Washington in a private car, physicians declared he might be able to take his seat in the senate at the opening of congress.

Senator Elkins' ailment had never become definitely known. During the summer he was reported to be suffering from intestinal trouble, in many respects similar to acute indigestion. At other times physicians are said to have believed him afflicted with a nervous malady. Last week it was reported that open air treatment had been advised and that a room on the roof of his home would be arranged for him. According to the physicians in attendance the senator died from a complication of diseases arising from septicaemia. Though no funeral arrangements have been announced it is probable that the senator will be buried at Elkins, W. Va.

During a large part of the time of his service in the senate Mr. Elkins was chairman of the important committee on interstate commerce. As the head of this great committee he had charge of the Hepburn rate regulation bill of 1907 and of the administration bill of 1910. A railroad builder and owner himself Mr. Elkins had intimate knowledge of the questions affected by this legislation.

## Fought for Its Passage.

He was the champion of the bill of 1910, and as such fought for its passage for many months. Probably the longest speech ever delivered by the West Virginian senator was made in its support. The bill had been sharply assailed by Democratic and progressive Republican senators, who charged that no one dared raise a voice in its defense. Mr. Elkins was the first to respond to this challenge.

Mr. Elkins was as popular on the Democratic as on the Republican side of the senate chamber. Nor could he be persuaded to deny to any one an opportunity to be heard, no matter how great the delay or inconvenience caused by granting all demands for time. Hence when, after the passage of the bill, the late Senator Dooliver, who had been one of the chief critics of the measure, warmly complimented Mr. Elkins, there was universal approval of his commendatory remarks.

Mr. Dooliver declared that in putting through the administration bill the West Virginian senator had performed the hardest task which had been undertaken by any senator for thirty years.

Mr. Elkins took a special interest in legislation which dealt with the tariff, railroad regulation and the development of the natural waterways. He aspired to a place on the committee on finance, and his failure to attain such position probably was the greatest disappointment that came to him during his senatorial career.

He was one of the first movers for an investigation into the high cost of living, which was inaugurated during the second session of the Sixty-first congress.

Among the achievements standing to Senator Elkins' credit is the passage of the Elkins' anti-trust bill soon after he entered the senate; legislation providing for many important improvements of the Ohio, Kanakaha and Big Sandy rivers; innumerable amendments to the railroad bills of 1907 and 1910, and many modifications of the tariff. He it was who first suggested the use of the corps of engineers of the army in building the Panama canal.

Mr. Elkins was born in Ohio in 1841.

## Elevator Burned.

Sherburn, Minn., Jan. 5.—The elevator formerly owned and operated by the Alliance Elevator and Milling company of this place was destroyed by fire. Two carloads of grain burned with the elevator. The cause of the fire is not known. There was slight insurance on the building.

## MORRIS CHOSEN SPEAKER

Choice of Republicans for Head of  
South Dakota House.

Pierre, S. D., Jan. 5.—The Republican caucus of the senate and house elected the following officers: House—Speaker, C. J. Morris, Sioux Falls; chief clerk, W. H. Jarden; Lead; first assistant clerk, W. C. Notmeyer, Pierre; second assistant clerk, John H. Wooley, Highmore; messenger, John Ravison, Davison; sergeant-at-arms, E. Moscrip, Lincoln; bill clerk, Bernard Vessey; chief of engrossing force, D. H. Smith, Miller; proofreader, Robert Demilligan, Wakarusa; postmaster, George Mackay, Clark; pages, Joe Patterson, Highmore; Arthur McAlmont and Roy Farrar, Pierre; Glenn Nye, Fort Pierre.

Senate—President pro tem., A. J. Lockhart, Clear Lake; secretary, G. O. Van Camp, Highmore; first assistant secretary, Flagge Carlisle, Fort Pierre; second assistant secretary, Madison Valentine, Lawrence; messenger, O. M. Michaelson, Lincoln; sergeant-at-arms, John Macdonald, Huron; bill clerk, Bernard Vessey, Jerauld; postmaster, James Julson, Moody; chief of engrossing force, Len Robinson, Spink; pages, Dean McGregor, Spencer; Paul Tibbitts, Yankton; Orson Stout, Pierre.

The legislature met at noon with simple formalities. The house members were sworn in by Judge McCoy and the senators by Judge Smith. The state officers elect, Governor Vessey, Lieutenant Governor Byrne, Secretary of State Polly, Treasurer George Johnson, Auditor H. D. Anderson, Land Commissioner E. E. Brinker, Superintendent C. G. Lawrence and Railroad Commissioner W. G. Smith, were inducted into office by Judge Corson.

## YOUNG ASSISTANT MISSING

And South Dakota Bank Is Short  
\$2,692.

Garretson, S. D., Jan. 5.—The State bank of Sherman, S. D., was looted of \$2,692 Saturday night.

W. Aune, nineteen years old, who has been assisting in the bank for the past month, is said to be missing. The cashier, A. K. Hansen, went to Florence, Minn., Saturday night. No clue has yet been found to Aune's whereabouts, though detectives from St. Paul have the matter in charge.

Monday being a holiday, nothing was thought about the bank being closed, and the robbery was not discovered until the return of the cashier Tuesday.

The bank is a solid institution and will not be embarrassed even temporarily by the looting of the funds, though the capital is only \$10,000.

## RUBIN OUT WITH A DENIAL

Says Foes of Deitz Are Trying to Make  
Trouble.

Milwaukee, Jan. 5.—W. B. Rubin made a flat denial of the report from Hayward that he had written John Deitz requesting \$200 more to pay expenses incurred by Clarence Deitz while in Milwaukee. Not only did he deny the report, but he made the charge that it and several others emanating from Hayward regarding his relations with Deitz came from sources that were directly hostile to the Deitz interests and that would benefit by any differences between him and his attorneys.

"I have not written to Deitz for several weeks," said Mr. Rubin. "Clarence expects to come to Milwaukee soon to settle up the expenses concerning which the report said I had written John Deitz."

The story from Hayward is to the effect that Clarence Deitz did not collect enough in Milwaukee to pay his office rent.

## PRESENT ANTI-PASS BILLS

North Dakota Legislators Begin Their  
Work.

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 5.—Three anti-pass bills and one bill providing for a legislative investigation were the features of the first day's actual work in the upper house of the state legislative assembly this year.

Judson La Moure of legislative district No. 1 held the honor of introducing the first senate bill, a measure providing for appropriations for the maintenance of state experiment farms. The next three bills were of the anti-pass nature.

An initiative and referendum bill, a measure establishing Oct. 12 as Columbus day and a joint resolution endorsing the income tax amendment were the other bills introduced.

## Gossip and Scandal.

Many people confuse gossip with scandal, but the two things are quite different. The scandal monger is usually detested, while the gossip is often universally popular. In fact, the popularity which it brings in its train is one of the strongest incentives to gossip.

A really accomplished gossip is a social acquisition. Thousands of people who do not gossip themselves like to listen to it. It saves them the trouble of talking. The gossip is generally good natured. The scandal monger seldom is. After all, what is more interesting than human nature? That is the stock in trade of the gossip, as it is of the novelist and dramatist.—London Gentlewoman.

## SENATOR ELKINS.

West Virginian Dies  
After a Long Illness.

## MINNESOTA PROGRESSIVES

Republicans Hold a Convention in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Jan. 5.—The first progressive Republican convention of statewide scope was held by Minnesota progressives in the Lyric theater here. Representatives of every congressional district of the state were present, the delegates numbering about 200.

No one but accredited delegates and newspaper men were allowed on the first floor of the house. Spectators were sent to the balcony, among them being former Congressman Frank M. Eddy, who was refused recognition as a delegate.

The convention was called to order by Judge F. T. Wilson of Stillwater.

The resolutions committee of the progressive convention met at the West hotel and incorporated into the platform resolutions, commending Senator Clapp, the initiative and referendum, election of United States senators by direct vote of the people through the primary system, the extension of the primary system, and similar reform issues. The resolutions were adopted by the convention.

BANDITS LOOT MAIL  
CAR IN THE WESTOne of the Clerks Is Shot by  
a Robber.

Auburn, Wash., Jan. 5.—Two masked highwaymen entered the mail car on the North Coast Limited Train No. 2 on the Northern Pacific just as the train was leaving the King street depot, Seattle.

As soon as the first robber got in the door he leveled his gun at Mail Clerk Harry O. Clark and ordered him to throw up his hands. He fired before Clark could obey the command. The bullet struck Clark in the mouth. As Clark fell the two robbers turned their attention to the other clerk, C. E. Reid, and covered him.

Both Clark and Reid then were locked up in a closet in the end of the car, where they were not discovered until the train reached Auburn.

A large consignment of Tacoma and south mail is transferred to this train at Auburn, and when the doors were opened to make the transfer the mail clerks could not be found. Blood stains on the floor led to the closet, which was broken open and the men released. Two physicians were called, and the wounded man was attended and sent back to Seattle.

Train No. 2 does not stop between Seattle and Auburn. The robbers got off at Kent, where the train slows up for the city limits.

According to Reid the two robbers were masked, were both smooth shaven, about five feet ten inches in height and weighed about 160 pounds each.

Mail pouches and registered mail were scattered about the car.

## Last of the Old Orators.

The late Senator John Warwick Daniel of Virginia may be said to have been the last of the old fashioned orators in the house of the conscript fathers. His fame will rest not on his lawbooks, which were excellent; not on his speeches in house and senate, which were strong, but on two masterly orations on Lee and Stonewall Jackson delivered before his entrance into congress. It may well be doubted whether anything superior to them, considered simply as orations, can be found in the literature of the world. They would have delighted Cicero himself.—Champ Clark in Century.

## An Unexpected Invitation.

A clergyman once heard an address, or what promised to be, turn unexpectedly into a challenge to a pie eating contest.

A young man, it seems, believed he could air his views upon certain subjects in a convincing manner if allowed to go before the multitude. He was given the chance and took the floor.

"Brethren," he began, his face flushing and his knees beginning to quake, "be ye brethren (pause), br-b-rethren (in despair), will you? If any of you want to eat humble pie just step up!"—Newark Star.

IN A MESSAGE  
TO CONGRESSPresident Taft Discusses Sub-  
ject of Arid Lands.

## APPROVES RECOMMENDATIONS

Those of the Board of Army Engineers  
Looked Upon Favorably by the Chief  
Executive—Twenty Million Dollars  
Recommended for the Various Proj-  
ects.

Washington, Jan. 5.—President Taft sent a message to congress today relating to the reclamation of arid lands.

He refers to the act which provides for a reclamation fund to be created from the sale of public lands which amounted on June 30, 1910, to \$65,715,179, of which \$52,945,441 had been expended on thirty-two projects in the arid land states of the West. The government was ready on June 30 to extend water to 876,834 acres of land. The total amount to be reclaimed under the projects is 3,169,000 acres.

The president says that the receipts for the irrigation fund, amounting to between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000 annually, was insufficient for the completion of existing projects with sufficient expedition and congress authorized issuance of certificates to the amount of \$20,000,000 to be used in completing projects, but that no portion could be expended upon them until examined and reported upon by a board of army engineers and approved as feasible and practicable.

After examination the board recommended the allotment of the \$20,000,000 to the following projects in the amounts given:

## Allotment Provided by Engineers.

Salt River, Arizona.....	\$ 495,000
Grand Valley, Colorado.....	1,000,000
Yuma, Arizona and Calif.....	1,200,000
Uncompahgre, Colorado.....	1,500,000
Payette-Boise, Idaho.....	2,000,000
Milk River, Montana.....	1,000,000
North Platte, Wyoming.....	2,000,000
Truckee-Carson, Nevada.....	1,193,000
Rio Grand, New Mexico.....	4,500,000
Texas and Mexico.....	4,500,000
Umatilla, Oregon.....	325,000
Klamath, Oregon and Calif.....	600,000
Strawberry Valley, Utah.....	2,272,000
Sunnyside, Yakima, Wash.....	1,250,000
Teton, Yakima, Wash.....	665,000

The board also recommends that the following amounts be expended during the years 1911-1914, inclusive, out of the general reclamation fund upon the projects named, amounting to \$25,351,897:

Yuma.....	\$2,350,462
Grand Valley.....	500,000
Uncompahgre.....	2,065,000
Minidoka.....	528,000
Payette-Boise.....	4,585,435
Huntley.....	2,110,000
Milk River.....	2,950,000
Sun River.....	3,278,000
Lower Yellowstone.....	576,000
North Platte.....	2,165,000
Truckee-Carson.....	1,594,000
Rio Grande.....	1,855,000
Missouri Pumping.....	270,000
Belle Fourche.....	480,000
Okanogan.....	18,000
Shoshone.....	2,000,000

## General System of Reservoirs.

No allotments are recommended for Orland, Cal.; Garden City, Kan.; Kintla, Waputa and Benton, Wash.; Carlisle and Hondo, N. M. With regard to the Yakima project the board recommends a general system of storage reservoirs, providing congress authorizes the sale of the excess of stored water so that a return of the cost of building the reservoirs will be secured.

The report of the board was approved by the president, but the president urges further legislation, saying:

"I earnestly recommend the enactment of a law which will permit of the disposition of any surplus stored water available for reclamation projects to persons, associations or corporations operating systems for the delivery of water to individual water users for the irrigation of arid lands and the enactment of legislation which will give executive authority for the modification of conditions of payments for water rights on certain of the projects where, by reason of local conditions, the return of the cost of the project to the reclamation fund will not be secured unless settlers are permitted to make payments on terms or conditions other than those specified in the public notices heretofore issued."

The president closes with the statement that with funds now at the disposal of the government and the additional legislation it is hoped work upon the projects may proceed early and settlers will soon be able to return to the treasury the amount expended in construction of the projects.

## Milwaukee to Build Branch.

Pipestone, Minn., Jan. 5.—One of the most important announcements concerning railroad construction in this section the coming year comes from Milwaukee officials, who state that a branch line will be constructed from Flandreau, S. D., to Ortonville, Minn., connecting the Southern Minnesota line with the coast extension. The line will run along the Minnesota-South Dakota border and will pass through a country where there is no north and south line.

## CHARLES F. JOHNSON.

Maine Democrat Named  
as Successor to Hale.

## HALE'S SUCCESSOR IS NAMED

Charles F. Johnson Nominated by  
Maine Democrats.

Augusta, Me., Jan. 5.—Charles F. Johnson of Waterville was nominated for the United States senate to succeed Senator Eugene Hale at the Democratic caucus. The nomination was made on the first ballot, which resulted as follows: Johnson 53, Obadiah Gardner 21, William M. Pennell 17.

WOMAN ENDS THE  
LIVES OF THREEKills Herself and Her Two Chil-  
dren.

Virginia, Minn., Jan. 5.—Mrs. Nelson Swanson killed herself and her two boys, Carl W., aged nine, and Bernard W., aged six, with carbolic acid at the family home. The three bodies were found clothed in night attire, lying on one bed. The lips of the trio were burned by the fluid.

The woman's act is believed to have been induced by brooding over the prospect of going to a hospital for an operation.

The one eyewitness of the tragedy, the third child, a daughter, is too excited to make a clear statement of how it came about, and the husband and father, who was not at home when it occurred, is so frantic he is confined at the police station to prevent any further mishaps in his family circle.

## PROGRESSIVES AT BANQUET

Cheer the Names of Roosevelt and La  
Follette.

St. Paul, Jan. 5.—The names of Senator Robert M. La Follette and Theodore Roosevelt were cheered to the echo at the progressive Republican banquet at the Hotel Ryan, but contrary to the expectations of many, their names were not mentioned in connection with the presidency of 1912 and no resolutions were offered or passed to indicate that the progressive Republican party in Minnesota has selected the man it will endorse two years hence.

There were oratorical fireworks in profusion and the speakers of the evening were men who would attract more than passing notice in any part of the United States. There were Representative and soon to be Senator Miles Poindexter of Seattle, late victor in a battle for party leadership in the state of Washington; Senator Moses E. Clapp, who has received the endorsement of the legislative caucus of Minnesota for another six years in the United States senate, and Sidney Anderson, the Lanesboro lawyer, who emerged from obscurity last November as the successor of James A. Tawney, one of the standard bearers in congress.

In addition to these men of national rating there were on the list of speakers James A. Peterson, former county attorney of Hennepin county; James Manahan of St. Paul and Alderman Leavitt of the evening, the toastmaster of the evening. All of these speakers ransacked history, ancient and modern, for nice things to say of the progressive Republicans.

## Earnings of Writers.

There are at least fifty writers in England who are making £1,000 a year each by their books. In this number it is possible that there are a dozen who make incomes of £2,000 to £5,000 a year. Marion Crawford is said to have received £2,000 down for each of his novels, and he often turned out three a year. Sir Walter Scott made £200,000 during his writing career. Alphonse Daudet received £40,000 for a single novel. Lew Wallace got in royalties on "Ben-Hur" and "The Prince of India" almost £80,000. For any of his stories Rudyard Kipling is reputed to charge 2 shillings a word. "Les Misérables" brought Victor Hugo close on £16,000.—T. P.'s London Magazine.

LEGISLATORS  
AFTER GRAFTERS

## GIRLS PREFERRED CADETS.

West Pointers Favorites Over Presi-  
dent In Montana Eyes.

Senator Carter recently escorted a bevy of beautiful Montana girls to the executive offices to see the president. While waiting in the corridor Senator Dick of Ohio came in leading a squad of West Point cadets in long gray overcoats. They, too, found corners and sat down also to wait.

There were several parties ahead of them, and it was dreary waiting. The cadets looked across through the corridor at the girls, and the girls now and then looked at the cadets. The senators promptly sensed the situation and advanced toward each other.

"Senator," said Dick, "my boys would like to meet your girls."

"Bring them over, bring them over," said the smiling Carter.

When an usher announced that the president was ready to meet all comers the senators had a lively time segregating their charges and getting them into line.

"Well, aren't you glad you met him?" Senator Carter asked one of the seminary maids as they emerged from the president's private office.

"Indeed I am," she replied. "I wouldn't have missed the chance for anything. Isn't he perfectly adorable in that gray uniform?"

"I meant the president," explained the senator.

"Did you?" the maid commented, quite unperturbed. "Mr. Taft is very pleasant. How much does he weigh?"

The senator changed the subject. Then he mopped his brow. Senator Dick mopped his. Then they shook hands and led their charges away—in different directions.

## RUN, NOW, DODGE YE!

Mr. Fisher's Ingenious Device Renders  
Fractious Teams Harmless.

Frank Fisher of Reardon, Wash., has invented a new anti-runaway device. It is simply a clutch upon the whole gearing of the horse or team, which by the application of a lever will instantly detach the team from the vehicle. All that Farmer Jones has to do when the colts show a disposition to grow fractious is to pull the lever. Then the colts may do their worst. The wagon will be left standing in the road.

If just before the team reaches a railway crossing Farmer Jones feels that the oncoming train is apt to collide with the wagon he yanks the lever and the colts may dash to their doom alone if they want to, dadburn 'em!

## READY FOR FLYING AGE.

California Town's Charter Provides  
For Municipal Aeroplane Landings.

Visions of the day when men shall fly as they now ride in street cars are provided for by a provision in the new charter adopted by the citizens of Modesto, Cal.

Power is given to the city to construct and operate aviation landings as a municipal enterprise, and it is said that the clause is wide enough to enable the city fathers to conduct aerial contests and to build aviation parks.

## Peat an Expensive Fuel.

An attempt to use peat as fuel in locomotives in Sweden has been abandoned. Though coal has to be imported its use has been found more economical.

## FORMS MARRYING BUREAU

South Dakota Town Has a Large Num-  
ber of Bachelors.

Carlyle, S. D., Jan. 5.—Owing to a pronounced shortage in marriageable young women, the young men of this place have formed a society which has been dubbed "the Bachelors' club," the purpose of which is to obtain relief from the monotony of "single blessedness."

The club has about fifty members, and nearly all walks of life are represented. Catalogues which describe the individual attractions of the members have been prepared. The club secretary will send these upon application and has prepared a large filing system and reference index for the handling of the answers which are expected.

Girls to whom farm life has attractions will find many prosperous young farmers eager to share such attractions. One who prefers to lead in the social life of the small town may become the bride of a banker or lawyer or a man in other professions. The telegraph operator is looking for a better half, and so is a livery man, a contractor, several merchants, as well as men of different trades.

While the catalogues have been issued but a short time, the applications already received indicate that there are plenty of girls willing to share the fortunes of the young men who are helping to build up the West. Those who desire to take a chance in the lottery of life had best make haste before all the bargains are gone.

## Transparent.

The teacher was giving the juvenile class an object lesson on the word "transparent." She told them water and glass were transparent, because one can see through them, then asked them to name something else that was transparent. One little fellow promptly raised his hand.

"Well, Alvin, what is it?" she asked. "A hole!" was the unexpected reply.—Chicago News.



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1911

### LOCAL NEWS NOTES

Frank Ketten, of Washington, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. Guy Pratt, of Merrifield, is a visitor in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wise returned home this afternoon.

Mrs. F. N. Johnson went to Duluth this afternoon.

Mrs. George Cossette of Merrifield, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. W. H. Bondy went to Minneapolis this afternoon.

Dr. O. T. Batcheller came from Medina this afternoon.

Mrs. J. Flanagan and children went to Oakes today for a short visit.

Dr. J. A. Thabes went to Pine River yesterday on professional business.

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Miss Mary Yeager has returned to St. Paul where she is teaching school.

Marriage license—Jan. 4, 1911—Alger A. Weaver to Hazel Thompson.

H. P. Dullum, of Loerch, is in the city today attending to business matters.

W. S. Orne went to Pequot this afternoon to attend to business matters.

L. S. Zakariassen and Miss Tilda Zakariassen went to Deerwood this afternoon.

J. P. Bachelder, the postmaster at

Mildred, was in the city yesterday on business.

There will be a masquerade dance at Odd Fellows hall on Friday evening, Jan. 13th. 184-43

Miss Florence Woodworth, of Pequot, was visiting in Little Falls, and returned home today.

General Manager W. H. Gemmell of the M. & I. railway, went north to Bemidji this afternoon.

Four plasterers arrived this afternoon from Alexandria to work on the Iron Exchange building.

H. H. Hall, the former county superintendent of Cass county, went to Anoka this afternoon.

County Commissioner Charles Krech has returned from his visit with relatives at Waterloo, Iowa.

Miss Nancy Dunavan, the guest of Miss Hazel Brockway, returned this afternoon to her home in Bemidji.

Max Toltz, of St. Paul, arrived this afternoon to examine construction work on his light and power plant.

Alderman R. A. Henning and family have returned from a short visit during the holidays at Milwaukee, Wis.

40 men wanted at once at Pequot to cut lath bolts and logs. Geo. McKinley. 181-12tp.

E. S. Simon, and children, who spent the holidays with relatives at Sanborn, Minn., returned home this afternoon.

Hilding Alfred Swanson, brother of Attorney G. S. Swanson, returned today to his studies at the law school of Yale University.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ernster, a handsome baby girl on Wednesday morning, January 4th, 1911. Mother and child are doing well.

The election of officers of the First Congregational church takes place this evening and a large attendance of members is requested.

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The North Star lodge will hold its regular meeting tonight. All members are requested to attend as there will be an election of officers.

Rev. Walter J. Smith leaves Friday for the district 10 miles northeast of Pine River to conduct a series of revival meetings lasting ten days.

Miss Caroline Deering went to Moorhead this afternoon for a short visit and will then leave for Carrington, N. D., where she is teaching school.

Miss Kathrine Whiteley, the principal of the Belmont school, has returned to Grand Forks, N. D., after enjoying a short vacation with her parents.

The weather report received reads: "Snow tonight. Warmer in eastern portion Friday. Unsettled with snow in northwest. Colder north-west portion."

The Misses Belle and Grace Low who spent the holiday season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Low, returned this afternoon to their home in Minneapolis.

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Mrs. Elizabeth McDonough, of Wheatland, N. D., the guest of her daughter, Mrs. John G. Smylie, returned this afternoon to her home after a pleasant visit during the holidays.

Mrs. H. H. Buckman, of Detroit, arrived in the city today to visit Mr. and Mrs. Edward Levant. All will attend the wedding of Mr. Levant's brother, Charles Levant, which occurs at Duluth next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. August Carlson, 1323 Pine street, entertained at dinner Monday evening in honor of their daughter, Miss Anna Carlson, of Portland, Ore. The dining room was prettily decorated. Covers were laid for 12.

Miss Ruth Lindberg, of Bluff Ave. North, entertained at a six o'clock dinner New Year's day in honor of her friend, Miss Anna Carlson, of Portland, Ore. The dining room was handsomely decorated in red and green. Covers were laid for 10.

John Larson is local agent for Stott Biquets, a new and very economical fuel. A car load has just arrived. Send in an order and try it. 154-1f

SEE THE VIVID REPRODUCTION OF THE WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP BASE BALL GAME, CHICAGO vs. ATHLETICS, SPECIAL FOR BALANCE OF WEEK AT THE GRAND—SHOWING ALL THE FAVORITES.

Miss Palma Headman, of 1702 Norwood street, entertained a party of 20 young friends at her home on Tuesday evening. Games were played and a most pleasant evening spent. Refreshments were served. The rooms were handsomely decorated for the occasion.

Rev. C. Rousstad, pastor of the Norwegian Danish Lutheran church, was the first man in the county to pay his personal property taxes. The pastor is a most public spirited man and attends many of the council sessions, school board meetings and other public gatherings.

An excellent program for the Ladies' Musical club has been prepared for Saturday, Jan. 7th. Owing to the absence from the city of many of the club members, who have not yet returned from their holiday vacation, this meeting has been postponed until Saturday, Jan. 21st.

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ARMING LONDON'S POLICE.

Slaughter by Burglars Makes John Bull Follow Rest of World.

John Bull has one characteristic which is apparently unchangeable. Nobody's experience except his own carries the slightest weight with him. The whole country has been debating the question whether the police should be armed with revolvers.

Since five brave men were shot down by alien burglars recently and a similar incident occurred in London less than two years ago one would imagine that the question carried its own answer. But the authorities throughout the country, utterly ignoring the practice of the rest of the civilized world, almost unanimously oppose such a startling innovation.

It is no exaggerated compliment to say that the personnel of the English police is the finest in the world. No men anywhere show such restraint against such provocation, yet their own superiors profess unwillingness to trust them with the means of ordinary self defense.

Speaking of Color.

She—Girls seem to have the color sense better developed than boys, according to experiments recently conducted in the schools of Cologne, Germany. He—But when it comes to hair boys stick to one color longer.—Yonkers Statesman.

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## MILITARY HAZING.

Carried to Brutal Extremes in German Army Schools.

### CADETS MAIMED AND KILLED.

The Most Dangerous Punishment Meted Out to Erring Freshmen Is "the Gantlet of Fire," and the Most Repulsive Is "Bacon Swallowing."

Germany is, of all countries, the one in which the science of hazing in military schools has attained the greatest development. The army plays in the fatherland's life a part the importance of which can hardly be realized by an untraveled American. Military service is compulsory, and in time of peace 600,000 men are kept armed, uniformed and drilled. To command that huge contingent 80,000 commissioned officers are necessary.

This large officer corps has developed customs, ethics, even a morality, of its own. These customs and ethics are instilled at an early age by the boy who aspires to enjoy the vocation which German officers generally receive from the populace. Initiation in a young man usually means exaggeration, and some of the little military snobs are on their first day at school a joy to behold. Very soon, however, the precocious stiffness is taken out of them.

A harmless though repulsive form of hazing cadets whose appetite verges on gluttony is called "bacon swallowing." The plebes to be victimized are lined up on the grounds surrounded by a group of second year men. A slice of raw bacon is tied to a piece of string, and the plebe whose name is drawn first is made to swallow the unappetizing morsel. When the sickening sensation of the twine tickling his throat threatens to nauseate him the bacon is pulled out. The name of another unfortunate is drawn, and he is in turn obliged to swallow the bacon, the appearance of which has not been improved by the first man's hewing. On it goes along the line to the next man and up to the last one, and for days and days the sight of bacon, a staple article in German cuisine, will, if it does not spoil the healthy youngsters' appetites, at least remind them that undue haste in assimilating food lacks refinement.

After a few hours spent in "frog's squat" the most dignified and snobbish plebes assume the good natured and perfectly chummy attitude which means that they have been tamed. Swelled heads are quickly noted and their owners made to sit on the floor with their chins resting on their knees, and their ankles and wrists are bound together. A solid stick passed under the knee joints and forcing the forearm back prevents them from moving arms or legs, and they are left there facing one another in an unnatural, cramped and ridiculous position.

Other forms of hazing are the stomach dance, with or without obstacles; finding the keyhole, tossing in a blanket and star gazing. In the stomach dance the cadet is put flat on his stomach on a high table and four tormentors take him by the hands and feet and whirl him around on the table. In the case of serious offenses a few hard objects or "obstacles" are scattered over the table, making the "dance" rather painful.

Then comes finding the keyhole. The cadet stands in front of a locker and is blindfolded. He has to feel for the keyhole with his forefinger. Then another cadet places his head between the locker and the finger, opens his mouth and bites the finger till its owner howls.

Star gazing consists in being made to watch the stars at night through a coat sleeve held like a telescope by two cadets. A third cadet then pours a glass of muddy water in at top of the sleeve.

When a cadet is guilty of behavior unbecoming to a gentleman, disgraces his class by some breach of etiquette or commits some petty theft he is generally sentenced by the "body vehm," or "court of honor," to the rod. The penalty is applied ruthlessly, a gag being placed in the punished man's mouth to stifle his cries for help.

Of all the forms of hazing the most brutal perhaps is the "gantlet of fire." The freshman upon whom that punishment is to be visited is kept in a dark room astride a wooden chair, to which he is securely fastened. In the next room his tormentors are twisting news papers into imitation torches, which at a given signal they light with matches. When the torches are burning brightly they form themselves in two lines; another signal is sounded, the door of the dark room is thrown open, and the freshman is ordered to ride between the lines, while he is mercilessly lashed with flaming brands.

However quickly he may run the gantlet, by the time he has reached the end of the blazing pathway his hair, his eyebrows and lashes have been singed to the skin, his eyelids are seared and swollen, his lips blistered, his uniform hopelessly damaged.

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## BOLIN RANCH CHANGES HANDS

Northfield Man Trades Hotel Property for it and Will Establish a Summer Resort There

The Northfield News says that on Thursday, December 29, a contract was signed whereby Grant Bronson disposed of the Manawa hotel in exchange for an 1,100 acre tract of land near Brainerd, Minn. The deal was made with G. C. Olmstead, a lawyer of Fergus Falls, Minn., and involves properties valued at \$30,000 each. An even exchange was made, Mr. Bronson receiving 1,163 acres of land situated on Bass lake and Lake Edwards in Crow Wing county, about ten miles north of Brainerd. The property includes a 22-room house, which Mr. and Mrs. Bronson plan to remodel into an up-to-date summer resort. The tract includes many choice locations for cottages on the two lakes and the prospects are bright for the formation of an ideal summer colony.

The Manawa has been conducted under the able management of Mr. and Mrs. Bronson for a period of eight years, the popular Northfield hostelry being under the management of Bartlett & Son before their arrival. They came to Northfield from Owatonna, where they conducted the Arnold house, which was destroyed by fire a short time before their removal to this place. The Bronsons have had a long experience in the hotel business and will without doubt make a success of their new undertaking.

The new owner, G. C. Olmstead, is a lawyer at Fergus Falls, and will not take personal charge of the hotel. Mr. Olmstead will rent the building for hotel purposes, but it is not known at this time who will be the new proprietor. The management will change about February 1.

OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER

The Dispatch Designated as the Official Paper for the Publication of Delinquent Tax List

The Dispatch was designated by the county commissioners on Tuesday as the official paper of the county for the publication of the list of delinquent taxes in Crow Wing county. In addition to this the proceedings of the board of county commissioners will appear as usual throughout the year for the benefit of the Dispatch readers who desire to keep in touch with county affairs.

IMPORTANT IRON ORE FINDS

W. E. Seelye, Formerly of Brainerd, Reports Find on His Company's Properties

The Minneapolis Journal under date of Spokane, Wash., December 31, announces an important find of iron by a company managed by W. E. Seelye, a former Brainerd man: "Experts in reports to W. E. Seelye, president of the International Lead & Iron company, that samples from deposits on the Pend Oreille river north of the international boundary average 62 per cent metallic iron, one-half of 1 per cent sulphur and 14-100 of 1 per cent phosphorus. They regard it as one of the largest and highest grade bodies of hematite ore yet discovered in the Pacific northwest. Plans will be prepared for a pig iron plant of at least 500 tons daily capacity. The vein on the property has been opened by a cross-cut, where at a depth of seventy-five feet there are fifty-five feet of hematite ore, averaging more than 60 percent iron."

UNIQUE CHANGES HANDS

Minneapolis Parties Purchase the Play House and Will Improve and Remodel it

Minneapolis parties have been in negotiation with E. C. Bane for some time and have at last closed a deal taking over the Unique theatre. It will be completely remodeled and thoroughly improved and made one of the prettiest moving picture play houses of the city. An inclined floor will be laid, a new front added, opera chairs installed and various other alterations made.

C. B. Rowley has the contract for the improvements and will soon leave for the twin cities to purchase the necessary fixtures. The improvements to be made are estimated to represent an expenditure of over \$2,000.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Brainerd for the week ending January 6. When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

Beddeur, Helen

Casmer, Miss Goldia

Cheney, Miss Ida

Cunningham, Bert

Tavereau, Mad. A.

Ford, C. B.

Ferguson, Charles

Hammond, Orrin

Johnson, care hardware store

Koering, Miss Katherine

Roberts, Romeo

Schellen, William

Strom, Bernhard

Steward, Mrs. J.

Vogel, Wm. M.

Welch, John

Whits, Charlie

Wolfe, Oscar

INGERSOLL, P. M.

## A BRILLIANT FOP.

The Youthful Disraeli, Elegant and Eloquent.

### AN INTELLECTUAL EXQUISITE.

His Aims and Graces, His Frills and Laces and His Dazzling Oratory in His Early Political Battles—A Pen Picture of His Remarkable Face.

Benjamin Disraeli's career in practical politics began with a series of reverses that might have discouraged a less persistent fighter. Five times the youthful novelist and versatile budding statesman attempted to break into parliament before he succeeded in winning an election, going down to defeat three times at Wycombe and once at Taunton.

In William Flayvelle Monypenny's "Life of Benjamin Disraeli" the author declares that tales are still told in Wycombe of Disraeli's famous first speech from the portico of the Red Lion:

"The youthful orator was now at the height of his dandyism, and his 'curls and ruffles' played no small part in the election. Standing on the top of the porch beside the figure of the lion, with his pale face set off by masses of jet black hair and his person plentifully adorned with lace and cambric, he must have seemed to the spectators better fitted for his role of fashionable novelist than for that of strenuous politician. Great, then, was their surprise when this 'popinjay,' as a hostile newspaper called him, began to pour forth a torrent of eloquence with tremendous energy of action and in a voice that carried far along the High street. He had an instinct for the dramatic effects which hold the attention of the mob. 'When the poll is declared I shall be there,' he exclaimed, according to a Wycombe tradition, pointing to the head of the lion, 'and my opponent will be there,' pointing to the tail. By the admission even of the opposite party the speech was a complete success, and his popularity with the crowd was thenceforth assured."

As to the young orator's appearance at Taunton, Mr. Monypenny gathers these comments of an eyewitness from an almost forgotten book of that time: "Never in my life had I been so struck by a face as I was by that of Disraeli. It was lividly pale, and from beneath two finely arched eyebrows blazed out a pair of intensely black eyes. I never have seen such orbs in mortal sockets either before or since. His physiognomy was strictly Jewish. Over a broad, high forehead were ringlets of coal black, glossy hair, which, combed away from his right temple, fell in luxuriant clusters or bunches over his left cheek and ear, which it entirely concealed from view."

"There was a sort of half smile, half sneer playing about his beautifully formed mouth, the upper lip of which was curved as we see it in the portraits of Byron. He was very shrewdly attired in a dark bottle green frock coat, a waistcoat of the most extravagant pattern, the front of which was almost covered with glittering chains, and in fancy patterned pantaloons. He wore a plain black stock, but no collar was visible. Altogether he was the most intellectual looking exquisite I had ever seen."

"He commenced in a lisping, lachrymose tone of voice. He minced his phrases in apparently the most affected manner and while he was speaking placed his hands in all imaginable positions, not because he felt awkward and did not know, like a booby in a drawing room, where to put them, but apparently for the purpose of exhibiting to the best advantage the glittering rings which decked his white and taper fingers. Now he would place his thumbs in the armbolts of his waistcoat and spread out his fingers on its flashing surface; then one set of digits would be released and he would lean affectedly on the table, supporting himself with his right hand; anon he would push aside the curls from his forehead."

"But as he proceeded all traces of dandyism and affectation were lost. With a rapidity of utterance perfectly astonishing he referred to past events and indulged in anticipations of the future. The Whigs were, of course, the objects of his unsparring satire

and his eloquent denunciations of them were applauded to the echo. In all he said he proved himself to be the finished orator. Every period was rounded with the utmost elegance, and in his most daring flights, when one trembled lest he should fall from the giddy height to which he had attained, he so gracefully descended that every hearer was wrapped in admiring surprise. His voice, at first so flinical, gradually became full, musical and sonorous and with every varying sentiment was beautifully modulated. His arms no longer appeared to be exhibited for show, but he exemplified the eloquence of the hand. The dandy was transformed into the man of mind, the Mantellini looking personage into a practiced orator and finished elocutionist."

Her Declaration.

"Have you anything to declare?" asked the customs inspector.

"Yes," replied the lady who was returning from Europe. "I unhesitatingly declare that it is an outrage the way this government permits things to be messed up in one's trunk."—Chicago Record-Herald

Let those who complain of having to work undertake to do nothing. If this does not convert them nothing will.

### SHE SNUBBED MONROE.

Incident in the Later Life of Mrs. Alexander Hamilton.

A striking incident in the later life of Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, who survived her husband fifty years, is told in the words of an eyewitness in Allan McLane Hamilton's "Intimate Life of Alexander Hamilton."

Mrs. Hamilton could never forget the behavior of Monroe when he, with Muhlenberg and Venables, accused Hamilton of financial irregularities at the time of the Reynolds incident. Many years afterward when they were both aged people Monroe visited her, and an interview occurred which was witnessed by a nephew, who was then a lad of fifteen. "I had," he says, "been sent to call upon my Aunt Hamilton one afternoon. I found her in her garden and was there with her talking when a maidservant came from the house with a card. It was the card of James Monroe. She read the name and stood holding the card, much perturbed. Her voice sank, and she spoke very low as she always did when she was angry. 'What has that man come to see me for?' escaped from her. 'Why, Aunt Hamilton,' said I, 'don't you know it's Mr. Monroe, and he's been president, and he is visiting here now in the neighborhood and has been very much made of and invited everywhere, and so—I suppose he has come to call and pay his respects to you?' After a moment's hesitation 'I will see him,' she said."

"The maid went back to the house. My aunt followed, walking rapidly. I after her. As she entered the parlor Monroe rose. She stood in the middle of the room facing him. She did not ask him to sit down. He bowed and, addressing her formally, made her rather a set speech—that it was many years since they had met, that the lapse of time brought its softening influences, that they both were nearing the grave, when past differences could be forgiven and forgotten—in short, from his point of view a very nice, conciliatory, well turned little speech. She answered, still standing and looking at him: 'Mr. Monroe, if you have come to tell me that you repent, that you are sorry, very sorry, for the misrepresentations and the slanders and the stories you circulated against my dear husband—if you have come to say this, I understand it. But otherwise no lapse of time, no nearness to the grave, makes any difference.' She stopped speaking. Monroe turned, took up his hat and left the room."

In this connection it may be said that the oft repeated story of the meeting of Mrs. Hamilton and Aaron Burr many years later on an Albany steamboat is a fiction, but it was probably suggested by the Monroe incident.

Just Dissolved.

"So you broke your engagement with Miss Spensie?"

"No, I didn't break it."

"Oh, she broke it."

"No, she didn't break it."

"But it is broken?"

"Yes, she told me what her clothing cost, and I told her what my income was; then our engagement sagged in the middle and gently dissolved."—Houston Post.

## D. S. S. & A. RY.

### CHANGE IN TIME

On and after January 1st, 1911, Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Ry. trains will arrive and depart from

### DULUTH AND SUPERIOR

AS SHOWN BELOW

DEPART FROM		Train No. 8 Daily	Train No. 6 Daily except Sun
Duluth—Soo Line Union Station	6:15 P. M.	7:45 A. M.	



# ONLY 20 CENTS TO PHONE TO DEERWOOD

Brainerd to Deerwood Rate is Reduced January First From 50 Cents to 20 Cents

## 4 BELOW ZERO AT DEERWOOD

Council Session—First National bank Building—Other News Items

Deerwood, Minn., December 4.—On January first the Northwestern Telephone Exchange company announced a reduction in the rate of telephoning from Brainerd to Deerwood. The old rate was 50 cents. The new rate is a great reduction and is now only 20 cents. All patrons are pleased to hear this, for the old rate caused more trouble and discussion than anything in the whole history of telephones in Crow Wing county. A factor in securing the reduced rate was the co-operation of the newly organized Deerwood-Aitkin Telephone Co. The rate to Cuyuna has also been adjusted, as also the rate to Aitkin and other points. This endeavor on the part of these telephone companies to listen to some of the reasonable demands of the people has done more to popularize the whole system than anything else they could have thought of. It shows that the Northwestern Telephone Co., like the Western Union Telegraph Co., is meeting new conditions and working out the problems presented in a most satisfactory manner.

It is stated that Deerwood thermometers registered 44 below today in various places.

The council had a session on Tuesday evening. Nothing was done on Monday the regular meeting night, as that was a holiday. All were present except Wm. Taylor and the clerk, Frank Oberg. Deputy Clerk A. A. Oberg acted in the capacity of clerk. A number of minor bills were allowed and ordered paid.

At the new First National bank building the carpenters are engaged in inside finishing. The hard floors have been laid. The steel ceiling is in position and is a very handsome piece of work. The plumbing and heating has been installed and steam is turned on in the building. The directors room is about 12 by 15 feet in size. The rooms are 14 feet in height. A basement is under the main floor. The large vaults have been installed. The main banking room is 22 by 35 feet in size and is well lighted on all sides. The tiling will be placed in position some time this week. The bank fixtures are on their way now. Greenlow Hurst, of Wadena, is the contractor and has done a most creditable piece of work.

The commercial club had a meeting scheduled for Monday evening. It was continued to the next regular meeting.

Measles is reported to be rampant in Deerwood. It is very uncomfortable as well as extremely annoying for an adult to get the disease. The latest sufferer is William Anderson, the clerk of Charles Osterlund.

N. P. Emil Carlson has been at Minneapolis now over a week. As N. P. is a bachelor all sorts of rumors are rife. It is hinted that N. P. has been in a wedding bell episode and that when he returns it will not be alone. The writer and N. P. have had long conversations on the inconveniences resulting from single life and have tried to encourage each other to take a flying leap into the state of matrimony. And now it seems that N. P. may have gone and done it. If he has, the keys of the village of Deerwood the freedom of the city, as well as anything else available will be surrendered unconditionally to Mr. Carlson upon his return.

The Adam's hotel electric lighting plant now supplies light for the hotel, Hage's store, Coffin's store and the Osterlund drug store.

Sun dogs were plainly visible in the sky Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Deniston, of Sardinia, Ind., is visiting her brother, R. R. Graham. Another visitor is N. G. Deniston, a nephew of R. R. Graham, who has been teaching school at Bay Lake and is now enjoying his vacation.

The First National bank has been made one of the depositories of the funds of Crow Wing county. Personal property taxes may be paid at the bank and thus save a person a trip to Brainerd and the resulting loss of time.

The Inland Steel Co. is erecting a brick two story office building 20 by 40, on its properties about half a mile from Ironton. The Keating forty is being operated by this company.

The Rogers, Brown Ore Co. has three boilers in position at its Interstate mine. The Foundation Co., of New York, is sinking the shaft.

The Swedish Ladies' Aid society will give a supper and have an auction sale at Coffin's hall on Friday evening, January 13th. A large attendance is expected for these are always enjoyable events.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Saunders and their children enjoyed a family reunion during the holidays.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. C. H. Adams at the Adams hotel today.

Carl E. Carlson, who has been seriously sick the past weeks, is reported to have developed a case of jaundice.

Ben Samuelson, of Brainerd, who has been engaged in building brick foundations for boilers being installed by the Rogers, Brown Ore Co. has returned home. Work has been discontinued in this line until warmer weather sets in.

M. D. Stoner has his boilers in position at his power house. The engines have arrived, but the dynamos are still on the road. His pole line connecting Deerwood and Cuyuna has been completed as well as the lines in Cuyuna and Deerwood. Mr. Stoner is a man who fulfills his contracts and the dispatch and thoroughness shown in his work here has gained him many friends among the business men, mine owners and others.

At the town of Ironton the Soo line has changed its point of entering the townsite as well as the position of the depot. Owing to the possibility of the ore dipping in near the north end of the town the change was made and the railway will run down the main street of Ironton. The depot will be placed on block 14 in the center of town. The surveys have been completed and the grading and tracklaying will be completed in spring as soon as the ground permits.

# Don't

We will save you \$3.00 on our very cheapest garment to \$12.50 on the more expensive ones. Then we are selling many children's garments at half price in the Basement and big reductions in others on our main floor.

Don't wait longer when we are offering you such tremendous savings in garments. Every woman's coat, every child's coat, and a large number of skirts are on sale. Our inventory MUST be taken within ten days and we MUST have less garments before taking it.

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Andrew Bloom  
Oscar A. Borg  
Joseph Johnson  
E. E. Taylor  
D. C. Henderson  
W. B. Hill  
Chas. Kaberling  
A. J. Nelson  
O. W. Van Dorn  
Jno. E. Matson  
J. S. Gardiner  
C. H. Krech  
J. R. Smith  
C. H. Smith  
J. C. Burchett  
Ole Holm, Jr.

## PETIT JURORS.

A. J. Smith  
Adam Toutges  
M. F. Shannon.  
P. S. Taylor  
A. Lamont  
Peter Wicklund  
William Love  
R. E. Phillips  
Louis Wahl  
C. H. Balaw  
C. E. Barnard  
Fred Davis  
A. J. Tomberlin  
D. A. Kraklau  
J. J. Tucker  
John Morken  
James McPherson  
W. W. Winter  
A. Weideman  
Elza Warren  
August Wendt  
A. M. Wallace  
Peter Vaars  
E. W. VanWalk  
John M. Taylor  
S. A. Stanley  
Jacob Strickler  
D. W. Smiley  
W. I. Storm  
Thomas Peterson  
Helmar Aspholm  
Jesse Britton  
W. Murray  
Sam Thompson  
Albert Thorsen

## GRAND JURY.

Fred Deeg  
Walter Caughey  
Robert Fuchs  
John Dewing  
W. H. Flansberg  
August Kruger  
J. N. Francis  
J. M. Crowell  
Knute Nelson  
Frank Hettver  
J. W. Anderson  
J. W. Fitzpatrick  
W. H. Bedow  
C. H. Clute  
Charles Pentin  
William Brown  
J. F. Casey  
James C. Davis  
C. W. Eastman  
E. O. Webb  
R. J. Hartley  
O. B. Hamlin  
H. H. Hitch  
John Imgrund  
F. E. Stout  
J. H. Koop  
Erick Koop  
Jacob Kronberg  
John Mann  
H. J. Spencer  
Frank Brandt  
K. S. Bredenberg  
Fred L. Britton  
Adam Brown  
John M. Bye  
Felix Graham  
B. S. Armstrong  
John Goeders  
L. P. Johnson  
J. M. Hayes  
John F. Russell

## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the County Commissioners, Meeting Held January Third, 1911

Meeting called to order at 10 a. m. All members present except Commissioner Krech.

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The board proceeded to ballot for chairman and vice president, on the first ballot J. A. Erickson received four ballots for chairman and the county auditor declared Mr. Erickson duly elected. A ballot was taken for vice chairman, resulting in two votes for Mr. Poppenberg and one for C. A. Krech. Mr. Poppenberg was declared vice chairman for the ensuing year.

Commissioner Poppenberg introduced a motion to transfer the road appropriation of \$500.00 made for Farrar street to Kindred street, in the city of Brainerd, which motion was duly adopted.

Motion was made and carried to transfer balance of \$57.55 in the contingent fund back into the general revenue fund.

Motion made and duly carried setting aside an appropriation of \$250.00 from the revenue fund into the contingent fund for the payment of postage and expressage. An appropriation of \$200.00 was also made from the same fund for use of the county attorney if necessary.

The report of the public examiner recently submitted on the condition of the accounts and records of the various county officers was read before the board. On motion same was accepted and placed on file and it was decided to comply with the provisions thereof.

The board of audit reported on the condition of the treasurer's books at the close of business Dec. 31st, 1910, as follows:

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Crow Wing County, Minnesota. Gentlemen:—	
The undersigned board of audit of said Crow Wing county met at the office of the county treasurer of said county, on the 31st day of December A. D. 1910, for the purpose of examining and auditing the accounts, books and vouchers of S. R. Adair, treasurer of said county, and to count and ascertain the kind, description and amounts of funds in the county treasury and belonging thereto.	
We respectfully make the following report thereon:	
Balance in the treasury August 1st, 1910.....	\$ 46,474.34
Treasurer's receipts from Aug. 1st to Dec. 31st, 1910:—	
From tax collections.....	68,751.24
From collections on public lands.....	893.51
From private redemptions.....	975.25
From interest on county funds.....	412.09
From fines and licenses, including filing fees and hunters licenses.....	1,567.01
From ditch assessments paving, etc.....	191.75
From mortgage registration tax.....	88.50
From state apportionment and state aid.....	14,168.00
From sale of produce at farm.....	268.36
Total.....	\$134,590.05
Disbursements from Aug. 1st, 1910, to Dec. 31st 1910:—	
Paid orders on revenue fund.....	\$ 11,287.10
Paid orders on poor fund.....	1,853.21
Paid warrants on private redemption fund.....	908.74
Paid warrants on road and bridge fund.....	9,531.87
Paid warrants on interest fund.....	2,940.00
Paid warrants on general ditch fund.....	9,490.45
Paid orders on town funds.....	19,168.12
Paid warrants on school district funds.....	39,584.61
Paid warrants on state taxes.....	5,253.42
Paid warrants on refunding account.....	108.39
Paid warrants on contingent fund.....	91.30
Total disbursements.....	\$109,217.21
Balance in treasury at close of business December 31st, 1910.....	\$ 34,372.84
Grand total.....	\$134,590.05
Bank deposits and cash on hand (to balance): Deposited in First National bank.....	\$ 20,754.83
Deposited in Citizens State bank.....	13,086.28
Certificates of deposit.....	300.00

A regular meeting of Brainerd Lodge No. 615, B. P. O. E., will be held at Elks hall, Thursday evening, January 5th, 1911. A full attendance is requested.

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**Agincourt.**  
Agincourt, from which Henry V. made his triumphal entry into London, is our English way of spelling Azincourt, just as Blenheim is a similar corruption of Blenheim. In about two and a half hours Henry's little army slew 10,000 Frenchmen, nearly twice as many as England lost outright in battle during the four war, lasting over two and a half years, and yet we talk complacently of our "modern arms of precision." A monument at Agincourt marks the cemetery of the slain. Few battlefields have changed their appearance so little. The field may be reached within a railway hour from Boulogne, but few tourists go to the scene of England's most wonderful feat of arms.—London Chronicle.

**Marengo.**  
In the battle of Marengo 58,000 men participated, and of that number 13,000 were killed or wounded, about 22 per cent. Napoleon thought Marengo his greatest victory. He always kept throughout life the uniform he wore on that day.

### North Long Lake

Mary Hughey was visiting Henrietta Otterson last Monday.

Mrs. Minnie Narverson and little Elanor spent Christmas week at Thompson's.

Frank Taylor came home from St. Josephs Hospital Saturday.

School commenced January 2nd, after a weeks vacation.

Mary Hughey went in to Brainerd Tuesday to visit Margurete Spillman.

She returned home Thursday accompanied by Margurete who visited her until Saturday.

Marie English was visiting her sister Elsie the first of the week.

O. Oleson and family and I. J. Albertson and family spent New Year's Eve at P. Madson's.

Grandma Thompson, mother of T. O. Thompson died Monday at 11 a. m., and will be buried Friday afternoon from her late home.

James Seleck is visiting at P. S. Taylor's this week.

School closed Thursday, December with a tree and program. The evening. The music was fine and the program was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. P. S. Taylor has been quite sick but is better again.

Wm. H. Johnston was home from Two Harbors to spend Christmas with his family.

The Murray family and Geo. White spent Christmas at Hughey's.

School closed Thursday, Dec. 22d, with a tree and programme. The children all did fine.

James Seleck is visiting at P. S. Taylor's this week.

J. A. Bixby was visiting at Hughey's Christmas week.

There was a tree and programme at the First church Thursday evening, Dec. 29th.

Wm. Thompson is hauling wood to the cars at Pillager for Fisher-Vaughn Co.

Mr. Hughey will grind feed Jan 13th and 14th.

### COUNTRY COUSIN.

### PROVE BUZZARDS TURN GRAY

**Bird Marked by Bell Fifty Years Ago Was Black Then.**

That a buzzard turns gray with age was proved at Louisville, Ky., with the finding of the body of a buzzard to which a bell was tied more than fifty years ago by Jason Williams in Nicholas county.

The buzzard when captured by Mr. Williams was young, unable to fly and was perfectly black. Many of the feathers now are partially gray. It is supposed the buzzard was frozen to death in the recent blizzard.

**Saxony's Silver Mines Closed.**  
Mines in Saxony that have yielded silver worth more than \$243,000,000 since they were opened more than 700 years ago are to be closed because of the continued low price of the metal.

### When Cervantes Nodded.

In "Don Quixote" Sancho continues to ride on his ass after having lamented the animal's death.

## BLACK DEATH CREEPING SLOWLY OVER THE WORLD

WHILE men the world over are talking of things that make history—wars of yesterday and rumors of wars tomorrow—they have all but overlooked the insidious advance of a different sort of assailant slowly gridding the earth in a historic progress. This is the bubonic plague, the "black death," by long odds the worst enemy in point of fatalities that the human family has ever faced.

It is not strange that the progress of the plague should be overlooked for the moment. The disease started from China to girdle the world in 1894, before the Russo-Japanese war. So slow are its invasions that fourteen years were required once for its advance from China to Italy.

Lately, though, the reports have forced themselves more and more into notice. The plague is coming close to home.

### Plague Overshadows War.

War seems like child's play beside the invasions of the "black death" in the past. The "black death" once killed 10,000 persons in London in a single week. During this invasion one person in every five in Europe became a victim. Compare the inroads of the plague and earthquake disasters: In the historical Lisbon earthquake of 1531 20,000 persons were killed. In another upheaval at the same place in 1755 60,000 persons were engulfed by the sea. But 200,000 persons died of

persons in Canton and 12,000 in Hongkong in 1894. Two years later it reached Bombay and spread through India. The number of deaths in that country crept upward from 1,704 in 1896 to 1,022,000 in 1904, then dropped to 332,000 in 1906 as the Indian commission carried on a campaign against the fleas and rats. In 1907 the number of deaths in India reached 1,294,194. For the first eight months of 1908 116,506 persons died of the plague.

From India the "black death" spread to Australia, Hawaii and Japan. It was discovered in Portugal, Italy, Austria and England, where early warnings and prompt repressive measures kept it down.

### Carried In Rag Bundle.

The disease was carried from Bombay to Marseilles in a bundle of rags consigned to a pastboard factory. It has been carried across the Atlantic, Argentina, Paraguay and Brazil, menacing the islands of the Spanish main nearer the United States. In all, fifty-two countries have been reached by the present visitation.

The disease appears in three different ways. One is made evident by a swelling of the lymphatic glands, developing painful tumors. The mortality with this sort is about 75 per cent. A second form is pneumonia, invading the body through the lungs and respiratory organs. It is this which has appeared in England. The third enters



DOUCHING TRAVELERS TO CHECK CHOLERA IN DANUBE VILLAGES ON THE SERBIA-ROUMANIA FRONTIER.

bubonic plague in China in 1894, and 1,022,000 succumbed in India in 1904. Modern science got a grip on the "black death" when it learned the life stories of a flea and a rat. It was only a few years ago that the doctors learned that these vermin caused and spread the plague. The new preventive is to destroy them.

The bacillus was found by Yersin of the Pasteur Institute during a plague epidemic in Hongkong in 1904. It was not until five years ago in an investigation by the Indian plague commission that the secret of "black death" epidemics was learned.

There are records of no less than thirty epidemics of bubonic plague from the eleventh to the fifteenth century. The worst occurred in the fourteenth century.

### First Plague In 1334.

The epidemic started in China in 1334. In Europe the plague killed 25,000,000 persons, or nearly 24 per cent of the 105,000,000 inhabitants of the continent. Upward of 100,000 perished in Florence alone between March and July, 1348. Pope Clement VI. estimated the total loss of life in the world by this historic plague to have been more than 42,000,000 persons.

Visitations of God for sin, meteors, the conjunction of planets and fiery swords in the skies were all blamed for the plague. It was noted that the rats were ill, too; but the panic-stricken people killed the rodents, they never suspected them as the real cause of the disease.

Here is a summarized list of the visitations:

1305.—London was ravaged almost as Florence had been. Defoe in his account of it tells of 10,000 deaths in a week.

1720.—The "black death" traveled from Syria to Marseilles and killed 80,000 persons.

1743.—Messina suffered from another visitation of the plague.

1770.—"Black death" reappeared in Moscow and killed 80,000 and made fresh inroads in the Balkans, Greece and Italy.

1835.—The plague broke out in Constantinople and cost 80,000 lives.

1815.—It again appeared in the same city and killed 110,000 persons.

1823 to 1841.—Egypt was recognized as a plague focus, and twenty-one epidemics occurred there during this period.

In 1799 "black death" killed 2,000 men in the French army in Egypt and Syria.

1873.—Another plague epidemic occurred in Russia.

The present visitation killed 180,000

### LONDON'S HISTORIC TOWER.

And the Egg From Which Was Hatched the Great Charter.

Richard Davey in "The Tower of London" connects the historic edifice with the wresting of the great charter from King John.

King John, it would seem, though legally married to Isabella of Angoulême, fell desperately in love in 1214 with "Matilda" or "Maud," "the Fair," the beautiful daughter of Robert, Lord Fitzwalter. This lady, remaining deaf to his entreaties, was treacherously abducted from her father's seat at Dunmow by the king's order and shut up in the round turret of the White tower. On this Fitzwalter made a vain attempt to rouse the people to revolt, but was forced to fly to France with his wife and remaining children. Maud once safe in the tower, King John renewed his suit, but only succeeded in driving her to utter silence, which so infuriated him that he sent her a poisoned egg for her breakfast, and she died early in 1215. A year later her remains were translated to the family vault at Dunmow.

When the news of this crafty murder came to the ears of Fitzwalter he forthwith returned to England and discovered to his joy that the barons were on the point of declaring war against John. He at once placed himself at their head, hoping, it is said, to combine his personal revenge with his duty as an English peer and is indeed supposed to have forced the king to sign the great charter for the express purpose of humiliating his daughter's murderer. Thus from an egg was hatched the great charter. Whether the story be true or false, it is a certified historical fact that the barons held the tower in pledge till John consented to accept the charter and affixed his reluctant signature to the deed.

About a year later, when the war with the barons was at its height and John once more a power, the tower again fell into his hands, and though the barons laid siege to it, they were repulsed by the king's men. To complete its strange vicissitudes during this strenuous reign the tower became on Nov. 1, 1215, the temporary court of King Louis of France, whom the rebellious barons had summoned to assist in the adjustment of their grievances. Appearing before the gates with a large body of men, he so completely awed the officials that they handed over the keys without striking a blow for their rightful monarch.

### FREAKS OF A RIVER.

A Stream So Crooked That It Doubles Crosses Itself.

There is a stream in Massachusetts called the North river. It starts in a pond near Hanson and runs to the sea at Scituate. It is ten miles by air line from Hanson to Scituate, and the river is forty miles long.

This river is probably the most remarkable body of water, barring the Dead sea, on this footstool and has stood more abuse and had language than the Chicago river. When the tide is coming in the river runs upstream, and not only that, but the upper part of it, which is fresh water, also runs up, and the spectacle of a fresh water river beating it uphill is alone enough to call attention to itself. But there is much more to it than that.

The North river is noted for being the scene of the last Indian raid on the coast settlements. It is notable for having given birth to the ship Columbia, whose captain discovered and named the Columbia river, and was the first American vessel to circumnavigate the world. It is notorious for having suddenly changed its mind on its course on the night of Nov. 27, 1808, when it moved its mouth three miles to the northward, presented the town of Marshfield with a deep harbor, killed three men and converted about 200,000 acres of prime meadow land into a salt marsh.

But the chief thing about this river is its crookedness. This river is so crooked that it double crosses itself. If you don't believe it go and see. There is one place in Hanover where by making three loops the river moves toward the sea for a distance of at least fifty feet and meanders about for fifteen miles in doing it.—Boston Traveler.

### The Open Fire.

The open fire is a primitive, elemental thing. It cheers with more than mere heat; it is a bit of the red heart of nature laid bare; it is a dragon of the price docile and friendly there in the corner. What pictures, what activity, how social, how it keeps up the talk! You are not permitted to forget it for a moment. How it rejoices when you feed it! Why, an open fire in your room is a whole literature. It supplements your library as nothing else in the room does or can.—John Burroughs in Country Life in America.

### Out or In.

"What's that noise?" asked the visitor in the apartment house. "Probably some one in the dentist's apartments on the floor below getting a tooth out." "But this seemed to come from the floor above." "Ah, then it's probably the Poppleys' baby getting a tooth in!"—Catholic Standard and Times.

### Dolly and Doris.

Nurse—Come, Doris. It is time for you and dolly to go to bed. Doris—What's the use? Dolly's so tired she can't sleep, and I've got a touch of insomnia.—London Punch.

The best of us lack more'n wings to be angels.—Thomas B. Aldrich.

### A GENIAL SMILE.

Who can tell the value of a genial smile? It costs the giver nothing, but is beyond price to the erring and relenting, the sad and cheerless, the lost and forsaken. It disarms malice, subdues temper, turns hatred into love and paves the darkest paths with sunlight.

### COMMISSIONER'S PROCEEDINGS

(Continued from page three)

Harry S. Todd	6.00
James Ellis	14.88
W. A. M. Johnston	1.50
Treasurer Morrison county	
one half expense in repairs	
Ft. Ripley bridge	186.54
L. E. Garrison, expense county	
surveyor to date	20.00
A. White, witness municipal	
court	2.24
C. J. Shields, witness municipal	
and supt. of sheriff	1.12
C. E. Wheeler, Supt., wood	
for court house	17.00
F. J. Reid, expense state	
cases	16.75
W. A. Fleming, expense	
Tuck case supreme court	22.85
J. A. Wilson, expense visiting	
schools	8.80
Jos. Weitzel, livery for	
sheriff	24.25
Hartley & Albright prem. on	
treas. bond	332.50
J. F. Smart, one day auditing	
board	3.00
J. A. Erickson, one day auditing	
board	3.00
W. A. M. Johnston, one day	
auditing board	3.00
T. W. Gibson, coroner's fees	5.20
General election expenses	
J. A. Sorenson	6.70
A. A. Sampson	1.84
Geo. Lusso	3.00
Louis Schellin	2.20
Louis Schellin	4.00
Northwestern Tel. Ex. Co.,	
rental auditor's office	3.45
Expense at farm	
N. W. Tel. Ex. Co., rental	1.50
Allison & Bartsch, groceries	37.40
Arthur Peterson, labor	30.00
Hays-Weaver Milling Co.,	
grinding	6.65
Felix Graham supplies	3.65
John Liljendahl, blacksmithing	
ing	8.25
Mahlum Lumber Co., lumber	
for Mississippi river bridge	
at dam	31.48
Upon motion meeting adjourned.	
J. F. SMART,	
County Auditor.	

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### HELP WANTED.

WANTED—Cook and dining room girl Windsor hotel. 167tf

ROOMERS and boarders wanted at 307 7th St. South. 180t12

AGENTS—Our new book, "John F. Deitz, the Defender of Cameron Dam," is now ready. Live agents wanted, every county. Sample and prices to agents 50c. E. J. Wakefield Co., L. B. 33 Eau Claire, Wis.

### FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Steam heated furnished flat for light housekeeping in Pearce block. Mrs. J. K. Pearce. 161-tf

FOR RENT—6 room flat, modern, Cale block. Call at E. C. Bane's real estate agency, room 2, Bane block. 126tf

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WANTED—Dressmaking, No. 307 7th St. S. Mrs. Smith. 183t6p

FOUND—Grey fur neck piece. Owner can recover at this office. 189tf

FOR SALE—Lakeside hotel and furniture. Victor Wickstrom, Deerwood, Minn. 151-3m

LOST—Colt, light bay, white spot forehead. Strayed from North Long lake. Martin Wicklund, 405 South Ninth street. 183t2-w1p

LOST—Silver brooch, with spangles, Norwegian design and keepsake, between 623 Pine street and north side. Please return to Bye & Peterson. 181-2

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